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Surprised on Silver Wedding Day

On Saturday evening, February 10, a large assembly of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Erickson of Irma on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary.

A big surprise was given to them when over eighty friends gathered all arriving at about the same time. The evening was spent in singing, speeches of congratulation were given after which a delicious lunch was served by the ladies.

Silver gifts were presented to the couple during the evening. A joint gift and purse of money was given by the following: Mr. and Mrs. B. Gullars, Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson, Mr. and Mrs. O. Lihmes, Mr. and Mrs. M. Reitan, H. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Mr. Alvin Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Knudson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorsen, Mr. and Mrs. R. Kasten, Mr. and Mrs. O. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. I. Knudsen, Mr. and Mrs. Steffenson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gullars, Mr. and Mrs. S. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pedel, Mrs. J. B. Gullars, Thord and Mrs. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fuler, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Leig, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lovig, Mr. P. A. Skarset, Mr. and Mrs. L. Satre, Mrs. Linquist and Isaac, Mr. and Mrs. D. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Fisher. Other individual gifts were from Mr. and Mrs. Eubank, Amish, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Russell, Loughhead, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollingsen, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Nilson, Mr. Sigurd and Norma Fluevog. They were also presented with a lovely gift by their children.

Albert District News

(Received too late for last week)

The third party held on February 2nd was very well attended. The prize winners for the wedding were Miss Goldie Dew and Mr. Larson. Miss Betty McLean spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. C. L. Currie. Miss K. Patterson was the weekend guest of Miss Edna Jones.

We regret to report that Mrs. F. Lukens, Sr., is ill in the Mannville hospital. Galtzau hockey team visited our rink on February 6th, and in a hotly contested game, succeeded in defeating Irma 8-0.

Mr. Chas. Archibald who bought the old school house last fall is now at work tearing it down.

The date for the plays has finally been set for February 23. Proceeds will be donated to the hockey club.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Larson visited in Edmonton recently.

C.G.I.T. NOTES

The meeting of Feb. 13 opened with the C.G.I.T. Purpose. We then sang a hymn, and Solvieg read the scripture. A very interesting story was read by Vera Simmerman. Miss Revere then gave a prayer. We ended the devotional part of the meeting with a hymn.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. We had a discussion of a sale of work and future activities. This ended the business part of the meeting.

For our activity we sang songs that we had learned at camp. Then we played a very interesting game and closed with the singing of 'Taps.'

Local Drive For War Services Fund

IRMA LEGION MAKES APPEAL FOR WAR SERVICES FUND

As announced by the press and radio, there is in progress a national appeal for the Canadian Legion War Services Inc. The various branches of the Legion have been asked to assist in collecting the funds for this work and the local branch here is in charge of the campaign for this district. The objects of this campaign are well known to you all because of the publicity given to it. The time at our disposal does not permit us to make a personal canvass, therefore those wishing to donate to this fund are asked to see the secretary of the Irma branch of the Canadian Legion, Mr. C. Wilbraham, at the municipal office. Any donation will be most welcome and a receipt will be given for any offering. DON'T PUT OFF—PLEASE GIVE.

IRMA LEGION SIGNALS

ORDERS

The next parade of the Irma Legion Signal Corps, No. 1608, will be on Tuesday evening, Feb. 20, at the Legion Hall. Time 20:00 hours; dress: uniform.

Cadets please note that this parade will be examination on all phases of the work and a 100 per cent. attendance is requested. Promotion on merit awards will be dealt with at that time.

It is expected that a high ranking officer of the M.D. 13 will soon inspect the corps.

As announced in last week's orders, any cadet wishing coaching, the officers of the corps will be only too willing to give their evenings.

Chas Wilbraham,
1 lieutenant and Adj.
Irma Legion Signal
Cadet Corps No. 1608

NEWS ITEMS FROM JARROW

Mrs. David Whidden arrived home last Sunday night on the Flyer, from a month's visit with relatives in Edmonton and district.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McMillan are the proud parents of a 9 pound baby boy, born Tuesday morning in the Wainwright hospital.

Mr. J. A. Weite has returned to Alberta and is now employed in Edmonton. Mrs. Weite is still in Chicago with relatives.

Miss Edith Hart is spending the week-end in Edmonton.

The dance under the joint auspices of the Jarrow and Kinsella Red Cross, held in the Jarrow community hall, was a grand success. A large crowd attended and a good time was enjoyed by all. \$25.50 was cleared for the Red Cross.

Miss Janet McNabb drew the winning card for the turkey.

The second winter drive was held in the Jarrow hall on Tuesday evening, February 13th, the proceeds going to the Red Cross.

The Jarrow Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. E. Peet on Wednesday, February 7, with a good attendance. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Jamieson on March 6th.

Mr. White Jr., with his family, spent Sunday visiting with his parents in Jarrow.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting M.D. Battle River No. 423

The council of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 met in the office of the secretary-treasurer at Irma, Alta., on Thursday, Feb. 8th, 1940; full council present, seven. R. D. Smallwood in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the minutes of January 11, 1940, be approved as read. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Collette that the report of the reeve and secretary to Court of Appeal Edmonton, Jan. 28 and other municipal matters be accepted and report filed. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the report of Messrs. Kelly and Collette re E. Larocque be accepted. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that this council lease to E. Bruning of Wainwright the NW 22-45-7 W4 for one year as from March 1st, 1940, for one third share of crop, delivered to the elevator at Fabian clear, storage grade tickets to be deposited with the secretary.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that this council lease to J. W. McQuaker the NW 12 and S1/2 of the SW 18-44-7 W4 for one year as from March 1st, 1940, for one-third share of crop delivered at the elevator at Wainwright clear, storage grade tickets to be deposited with the secretary-treasurer in the name of the Municipal District No. 423 at least ten days after threatening in completed, leases to control all noxious weeds, 30 days notice in case of sale. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that relief be extended to Mrs. Bruning for \$10.00 until March 1st, 1940. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Collette that the report of Mr. Stewart re Nelsburg family and the issuance of consent food relief to the extent of \$5.00 chargeable to the provincial government be approved and report be accepted. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that relief be issued to J. D. Nechtigall for \$10.00 until March 1st, 1940, secretary to complete all necessary papers and charge account to the provincial government. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that relief be extended to Mrs. Bruning for \$10.00 food until March 1st, 1940, the rent account of \$5.00 per month be a standing expenditure until revoked. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that relief be extended to Abernathy family for \$2.50 per week until March 1st, 1940. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that relief be extended to Mrs. A. Kelly for \$4.00 until March 1st, 1940. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that relief be extended to P. Cartier for \$12.00 until March 1st, 1940. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that relief be extended to Ego McLean for \$2.50 until March 1st and charge provincial government. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that Dr. Greenberg take Mr. J. D. Nechtigall to Wainwright hospital for X-ray examinations and report to the council. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Steele that the secretary write to the Montgomery M.D. No. 458, Wetsaskwin, Alta. re E. Larocque giving full particulars of this case asking them to advise their intentions and responsibility in this matter. Crd.

LAND SALES
Moved by Mr. Kelly that Blythe No. 79 concerning the sale of the NW 22-44-9 pass its first reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that Blythe No. 80 concerning the sale of the NE 30-45-9 pass its first reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Steele that Blythe No. 80 pass its second reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Steele that Blythe No. 75 concerning the sale of the NW 18-46-7 pass its third and final reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that Blythe No. 74 concerning the sale of the SW 16-46-7 pass its third and final reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Steele that Blythe No. 77 concerning the sale of the SE 10-45-8 W4 pass its third and final reading. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the secretary write the Edmonton Credit Co. re SW 34-46-7 W4 to the effect that as the provincial government has not returned the copies of Blythe No. 76 and approval of ministerial sale forms relative to the sale to J. A. Laycock and confirmed the disapproval by the minister, the council are unable to handle this matter until such confirmation is received. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the secretary write the supervisor of Tax Recovery re SW 28-45-8 in reply to their letter of January 31 that under the circumstances that has arisen that this land will not be available for purchase this year. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that the secretary write the Old Age Pension department re their notice of pension award of \$10.00 per month to H. E. Mabey that this council consider and do recommend that a full pension of \$20 per month be awarded to this party. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that the proposed indigent contract re St. Ann's hospital be tabled for further consideration. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Collette that the secretary write the department of municipal affairs re Sydeman SD 1860 that as this amount of money in question was collections in excess of payments that this school district is in the same position as all rural school districts in this municipal district at December 31, 1939 when same were incorporated in the Wainwright school division No. 32 and this council do not consider this fact, and secretary prepare full report. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that secretary write the minister of municipal affairs explaining the matter of the Hinkley medical aid to send copies of correspondence and register this matter. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the secretary write the department of municipal affairs re telephone poles and fire hazard be received and filed for reference. Crd.

Advice from the Alberta Assessment Commission as to the total equalized assessed value being unchanged for purposes of equalization as \$1,214,394.00 received and notations made in the 1940 assessment roll.

Secretary reported that the proceeds of the Tax Recovery Act as to the SE 10-45-8, NE 15-46-7 and the SE 15-46-7 had been completed and that agreements of sale papers were in order to be completed.

Hospital notice from Wainwright hospital re Mrs. A. Kelly presented and noted by the council.

Correspondence from the department of agriculture re Irma Agricultural Society and the matter of survey for roadway on south side, read and noted.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that the statement of expenditures and receipts month ending January 31, 1940, be accepted and presented and incorporated in the minutes. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that the secretary write the supervisor of municipal hospitals regarding their account of \$2.60 Ballots and a Form 'B' that the council are at a loss to know who ordered these supplies, when same were ordered and all matters in this regard also when this account was first reported to the Municipal District. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Stewart that the account of Dr. Greenberg re G. Hughes leg wound \$20 be paid. Crd.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that the account of Dr. Greenberg re Marie Hughes \$25 broken leg, that this account be returned to him suggesting same to be presented to the Wainwright school division No. 32. Crd.

Account of Wainwright hospital of \$52.75 re P. A. Hughes and family ordered tabled.

Moved by Mr. Kelly that the following accounts be passed and paid: Dept. Mun. Aff. re car tel Jan \$215.24 Irma SD \$455 col Jan. 81.47 Town of Wainwright col Jan. 9.55

Stun Act comm rel Jan 4.70 LTO discharge carrels 15.00

Dr. D. Smallwood com work 30.45 Chas Wilbraham com work 22.95

R. O. Larson labor dir. 4.56

Moved by Mr. Kelly that the following accounts be passed and paid: Bureau Pub. Wel. cloth McLean 13.72 clothing Burgequist 4.42 Motion carried.

Secretary reported hospital loan as at Dec. 31, 1939, to bank now paid in full.

Moved by Mr. Blakley that council adjourn to meet on Wednesday, March 1st, 1940, at 10 a.m. Crd.

CHURCH NOTICES AND ACTIVITIES

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, February 18th
Sunday School—11 a.m.
Public worship—7:30 a.m.
Official service for Bible study and prayer Wednesday evening at 7:30
A hearty invitation is extended to all.

FULL GOSPEL SERVICES

Sunday, February 18
Strawberry Plains—11 a.m.
Irma, Hedley's Hall—3 p.m.
Subject: The world's greatest trial. Ross—8 p.m.
Roseberry—Feb. 20, 8 p.m.
These services are conducted by Rev. Wm. Deverill and party. Everybody warmly welcomed.

IRMA Y.P.U.

The last meeting of the Y.P.U. was a public meeting open to all those who were interested. It was on the evening of February 8th, and the church was well filled.

The meeting was in charge of a group of conversers from the four divisions of the union. The meeting was presided over by Clarence Carter, the vice-president.

The devotional period was opened by a hymn. Mrs. W. Deverill read the scripture reading and Catherine Patterson gave a short prayer.

Klausen and Vera Simmerman sang a duet, and Mrs. W. Deverill gave a very interesting talk on "Miracles." Ruth Beeds told the story of the life of William Cowper, who wrote the hymn "God Moves in a Mysterious Way."

After which this hymn was sung as a quartette by Marjorie McFarland, Evelyn Elford, Bob Simmerman and Ray Locke. The devotional part of the meeting was closed by a prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and also a letter concerning the provincial Y.P.U. camp site at Sylvan Lake.

The program was then opened by a lively song sung by Bob Simmerman. The numbers which followed were greatly enjoyed: a vocal duet by Mrs. Larson and Marlon Longmire; a monologue by Frances Barre; a duet by Vera Simmerman and Hilda Klassen, accompanied by Hilda on the guitar; a piano duet by Betty McLean and Evelyn Elford; and a flashlight club singing stunts by Henry Kasten and James Seneff.

Everyone then adjourned to the basement where they all enjoyed a hearty lunch. Mr. Locke thanked the young people on behalf of the visitors and the evening was closed with the singing of "The More We Get Together" and "Taps."

When you're freezing cakes be sure to have them from any loose crumbs. In smoothing the icing, use a spatula which is frequently dipped in warm water.

Alta Mun Stationers supplies 22.25
Western Municipal News 30.41
C. Wilbraham and co. sec. Jan 110.00

Petty cash 26.71
Irma Times, papers Jan 25.00
L. L. Gulliver grasshopper supplies rent 9.00

Dr. Greenberg 4th W. rating fee 50.00
Ada Latch rent Brulst Dec 10.00

30 Jan 40 10.00
Pro Treas Mallow Dec 34.25
D. A. Glasgow re Baska 4.50

Pro Treas OAP 1939 405.54
Pro Treas Child Wd Dec 1.37
St. Anne Hosp re Leo Smith 70.00

Wain Mun Hosp re Leo Smith 40.00
Fuders Store McLean rel Jan 20.00
A. A. Armstrong Abernathy rel Nov Dec Jan 35.50

J. C. McFarland Berg rel Jan 12.00
W. Adams Cartier rel Jan 12.00
W. Adams British col Jan 10.00

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Lord Tweedsmuir Died Sunday

CANADA NOUNS GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Lord Tweedsmuir, governor-general of Canada since 1935 and an outstanding literary figure, died at 5:15 p.m. Sunday night at his Montreal neurological institute. He was 64.

First representative of the King in Canada to die in office since confederation, His Excellency declined and fell while dressing at Hildes Hall in Ottawa last Tuesday. He suffered a concussion.

His condition grew steadily worse and following an operation on his skull Friday he was rushed to Montreal by special train that afternoon.

John Buchan was a versatile and accomplished writer of high standard in the world of letters and before he succeeded Lord Bessborough as governor-general this slight man from the Scottish border had written nearly 60 volumes.

On his appointment as vice-regal representative, King George selected him to the peerage and created him Baron Tweedsmuir of Ellerslie.

DEAN HOWES DIES AT 67
University of Alberta
Agriculture Head Was
Widely Known

Edmonton, Feb. 12.—Ernest Albert Howes, dean of the college of agriculture at University of Alberta, died in hospital here Friday night after a short illness. He was 67.

Born on a farm near Hiram, Ont., in Prescott County, he was a former member of the dominion department of agriculture's staff in Ottawa and was professor of agronomy for one year at the University of Nevada.

He came to Alberta in 1913 as principal of the Vermillion school of agriculture and became dean of agriculture in the university here in 1916.

Dean Howes was well known and liked by thousands throughout western Canada. Only one of his many honors was the Order of the British Empire.

Trophy for western agricultural housing supremacy.

His book "With a Glance Backward" met instant popularity when it was published last year. In it were his recollections of life on the rural economies of old Ontario in the '60s and '70s, set down by his vigorous pen.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

All this week citizens throughout Canada are being asked to contribute to the Canadian Legion War Services' appeal for \$500,000.

An examination of this non-profit making organization, a subsidiary of the Canada Legion itself, immediately impresses one with the necessity of enabling it to carry on its "valiant patriotic activities, not only in Canada but also in England and France."

Readers of this newspaper who are aware of the Legion's efforts in providing education facilities for the men so that they may continue their studies while on active service and thus equip themselves for their return to civil life, who have read of the splendid work being done in maintaining morale and esprit-de-corps by means of entertainment, and who know of the advice and guidance that the Legion is giving the men on all problems arising from war duty, must surely be encouraged in making their donations generously and without delay.

We in Canada, who are so far removed from war zones, are perhaps influenced to some extent by a false perspective of the struggle that lies ahead. We fail to grasp the full significance of the sacrifices our fighting men will be called upon to make. To put it bluntly, we lack a war spirit.

It will take but one catastrophe threatening our forces to make us realize that we are at war—a war that from all indications is going to be the most horrible in all history.

The welfare needs of our fighting men will be many and it would be unfair of us to expect that the military authorities should assume the whole responsibility of providing for these needs. This responsibility can be carried out most satisfactorily by organized and officially endorsed bodies such as the Canadian Legion War Services.

CANADIAN LEGION WAR SERVICES Inc.

The appeal for funds for the Canadian Legion War Services is now in progress in the Irma district.

Will those wishing to give to this worthy cause please leave donations at Municipal Office-Irma.

Irma Branch Canadian Legion B.E.S.L.

Rev. J. E. McGrane, president. C. Wilbraham, sec-treas.

German Propaganda

Complete Lack Of Understanding One Of The Reich's Handicaps

On his return to Seattle from Europe—with a large packet of samples of propaganda now being used by 20 countries—Mr. Vernon McKenzie, director of the School of Journalism at the University of Washington, told interviewers that while he was not in any position to say quite definitely that German propaganda had failed, he was likewise unable to concede that printed matter and spoken word had as yet attained the persuasiveness of a bayonet. The former editor of Maclean's Magazine, however, feels that German propaganda "has combated the deep understanding of an adolescent with the finesse of a professional wrestler," and that it is "something like a man playing a harp while wearing a pair of mittens. . . . the harpist is interesting to watch and his technique is formidable but what comes out is neither pleasant nor very convincing."

Aside from the highly metaphorical description of German propaganda and German methods which Mr. McKenzie gives, it would seem to be clear from his observations that Nazi technique does not stand up very well under the inexorable scrutiny of common sense and historical knowledge. And what he means more specifically, we presume, is that his examination of Germany's propaganda confirms him in his belief shared by many people—that one of the Reich's chief handicaps is its lack of understanding of other peoples, their outlook and their inherent sense of fair play, and its complete inability to develop a sense of humor. This latter, of course, is the saving grace of the English-speaking peoples.

How could the Herr Doktor Goebbels compete with even the stiff British Ministry of Information? He has run German films out of neutral movie houses merely because the exercise of ordinary intelligence has exposed the Nazi poison in what is supposed to be entertainment with a propaganda flavor. The "Entente Cordiale," a French film now running in New York, showing the beginnings and development of the Anglo-French alliance—is playing to large houses. The success of this type of "publicity" is in striking contrast with the positive failure abroad of the Goebbels type—Victoria Times.

Britain Buys Aluminum

Entire Exportable Surplus Of Canada Has Been Purchased

Britain has purchased Canada's entire exportable surplus of aluminum and has a man in Canada "who is making an arrangement to expand production there," Colonel J. J. Llewellyn, parliamentary secretary to the ministry of supply, disclosed in London.

Colonel Llewellyn, speaking at a press conference on purchases of raw materials, gave no figures or details of the arrangements.

In addition to take the exportable surplus of Canada's lead and copper, the ministry of supply also has bought immense quantities of British Columbia lumber.

There is "an acute shortage" of timber in Britain, Colonel Llewellyn warned, and it was "no good encouraging people to think that a vast amount of timber will be imported in the next five or six months."

An order has been given for 2,000,000 yards of linoleum. This will replace wood as floor covering in army huts and ordnance factories.

Colonel Llewellyn gave what he described as a "good picture" of the Empire's supply position. It has most of the world's rubber and tin. Copper production has jumped from 85,000 tons annually in 1914 to 600,000 tons now, lead from 130,000 tons in 1914 to 630,000 tons now, aluminum from 13,900 tons in 1914 to 88,000 now, and asbestos from 38,000 tons in 1914 to 340,000 tons now.

Offered Services To Finns

A Stockholm despatch reported that tall bronzed Prince Aage of Denmark, first cousin of King Christian has offered his services to the Finnish army. The prince who has spent years in the French Foreign Legion renounced his right to succession to the Danish throne years ago and took up a military career in Africa.

A stream of bats pouring out of an underground opening led to the discovery of New Mexico's remarkable Carlsbad Caverns.

Just 100 years ago, William Murdoch, born in Auchinleck, Scotland, first lighted a dwelling—his own—with gas.

There are 1,500 species of plants in the mustard family.

Acted As Sheep Dog

Royal Air Force Plane Gathered Convoy Together In Mist

Flying low and battling with bad weather, an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft acted as a "sheep dog" and brought together a convoy of merchant ships, carrying 100,000 tons of foodstuffs.

Conditions were very bad when the aircraft was sent out to locate the convoy. Visibility was practically nil, but after searching an area 50 miles square, the pilot found some of the vessels. He was flying just above their mastsheads at the time.

Only two-fifths of the ships were there, however, and having discovered the escorting destroyers, the pilot asked with a signaling lamp where the rest were.

The destroyers replied that a threatened submarine attack and thick weather had caused the convoy to disperse some hours before.

The pilot then began another hunt, and eventually found a second part of the convoy, also attended by destroyers. This section contained only another two-fifths of the total number of ships, and a further search disclosed the remaining one-fifth.

The pilot gave them the exact position of the last group of vessels he had seen, and, flying overhead, shepherded them until the two groups were united. With three-fifths of the merchant fleet thus assembled, the pilot signalled the position of the rest, and remained in attendance until the entire flock was brought together again in the mist.

Intern Nationalized Canadians

Born In Germany, Were Active On Behalf Of Nazi Regime

The Government has found it necessary to intern a number of naturalized Canadian citizens who were born in Germany but in spite of naturalization were quite active in activities in behalf of the Nazi regime.

Cancellation of the citizenship papers of such persons will come in due course. They are safely behind the guarded fences either of Petawawa, north of Pembroke, where there are 300 interned, or at Kananaskis in Alberta, where approximately the same number are interned.

"Things are not so tough" with them as might be imagined. One naturalized man with a wife still in Germany wrote to her, the letter being checked at the Prisoners of War Bureau, said he never before had such good food or was so comfortable.

They receive the same rations as Canadian soldiers, they get regular medical attention, new eye glasses if they break a pair, dentures and even trusses. At Petawawa each man has been issued with wool clothing for the winter months, heavy mackinaw coats, warm caps and leather mitts. At Kananaskis the men are equipped with a special wind-proof type of clothing, the same as used in the forestry service there. Dependents of internees, if in need, are on relief at total expense to the Dominion Government, although administration is through local authorities.—Ottawa Journal.

Cannot Be Destroyed

Czech Shoe And Glove Factories Re-established In Ontario

A correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor who has been travelling in Czechoslovakia writes from Berlin that under German rule, the Czech shoe firm will exhaust its reserves of leather in March and the glove industry is finished. But both of these industries are already re-established and producing in Ontario—Bata at Frankford and Pichl gloves at Prescott. Czech-Slovakian craftsmanship thus continues under the British flag.

Villagers Are Optimistic

Have Made All Arrangements For Victory Dance When War Ends

The most optimistic village in England is Byfield, Northamptonshire. A hall is booked and a band hired for a victory dance when the war ends.

The villagers are determined they will not be caught the next time—they were unable to get a band to celebrate the Coronation in 1937 or the silver jubilee of King George V. in 1935 because all had been engaged.

French wireless stations are now broadcasting official news bulletins in 10 languages. The two latest additions are Turkish and Greek.

Butterfly brains contain 80,000 nerves and 80,000 air tubes, yet the brain is just about the size of a pinhead.

There is one thing to be said for Herr Hitler. If he breaks one treaty he is always ready to sign two or three more, says Punch.

BRITISH AIRSMEN RETURN FROM HELIGOLAND RAID



Retaliating from machine-gunning and bombing attacks on merchant ships the Royal Air Force conducted raids on Germany's Heligoland bases. This picture shows the crews of some of the British bombers after the strafing raids.

The Control Of China

Japan Causing Terrible Suffering But Not Making Much Progress

Speaking about the Japanese invasion of China, Miss Annie Ward, local missionary in Chengtu, Szechwan, says: "Japan is not making any real progress in the control of China."

Writing to her brother, Dr. Stewart Ward at London, Ont., she sums up the situation as she sees it. "It would appear from the last few months' events that, while Japan is inflicting terrible loss and suffering on the civilian population of many large cities, yet Japan is not making any real progress in the control of China. As one Japanese officer is quoted as having said himself, 'Japan cannot go forward and cannot go back; neither can she hold what she has already taken.' But what a loss of life she has caused both to her own country and to China, all for a mad desire for power which in the end will gain exactly nothing."

Although Chengtu is one of the large cities where civilians are being bombed, yet, in none of her letters does Miss Ward refer to any personal danger. The university where she teaches—West China Union University—has been moved to the outskirts of the city to comparative safety. Refugee students are pouring onto the campus making one of the largest educational centres in China today.

Need The Choir Boys

London cathedrals tried for weeks to get along without their evacuated choir boys, but now buses carry scores of lads from Kentish billets every Sunday to sing in the capital.

Scheduled as charities, Eton college, Harrow school and the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, in England, do not pay income taxes.

Texas alone is larger than pre-war Germany, although harboring only one-fourteenth of its population.

A house offered for sale in London has a private movie theatre which can be converted into a roof garden.

A new smallpox vaccine has the advantage over the old of leaving no scar after inoculation.

Market For Canadian Flour

Chinese Test Flour In Crude Way For Gluten Content

In considering the possibilities for the expansion of Canadian flour in Hong Kong and South China, writes the Canadian Trade Commissioner at Shanghai, it must be borne in mind that the bulk of Canadian flour used in the South China market meets the demand for a product of high gluten content which cannot be satisfied by Australian, North China, nor the majority of United States flours imported into the market.

A peculiar characteristic of the Hong Kong and South China market is the manner in which tests are made to determine the gluten content of flour. This is known as the Chinese "wet" test, and is the only basis on which Chinese dealers will accept decisions in regard to gluten content. The method is crude and simple—flour is mixed with water in the proportion of two to one, and the resultant mixture is subjected to handling under a water-dripping action until only gluten remains. The weight of this residue, when compared with the combined weight of flour and water used, gives the percentage of gluten content. For example, if 10 ounces of flour are mixed with five ounces of water, and the gluten remaining weighs three ounces, the flour is considered to contain 20 per cent. gluten.

Kindness Rewarded

Neighborhood youths who posted occasional letters or ran errands for a kindly old lady in San Francisco learned their services would have a cash reward. The will of Mrs. Margaret Shafter, 75, provides 12 bequests of \$100 each to "young men who have rendered special acts of kindness towards me."

A tree 34 feet in diameter and estimated to be more than 3,800 years old is said to be the world's oldest tree. It is in Yosemite national park.

At any given moment the world has nearly 2,000 thunderstorms, while the daily average lightning flashes is about 8,000,000.

According to Dr. Horton Casparis of Paris, sufferers from hay fever are seldom ill from other diseases.

Blackie The Cat

Is Familiar And Popular Figure At No. 10 Downing Street

Nearly as well-known in Downing Street as Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's umbrella is Blackie, the ragged-coated tomcat mascot of Number 10. During the Munich crisis of September, 1938, Blackie had only to sun himself on the doorstep to make the front pages. He was as prominent as the policeman at the door of the official residence.

Whenever important talks were being held, Blackie would take his stand on the wide, whitewashed doorstep. He always came long before the first Ministers arrived and usually stayed throughout the morning. Sometimes, if it was a long session, he would stretch his legs by strolling up to Number 11—home of the Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Simon—sniff around, and then saunter back to Number 10. Newspaper readers were told that when Blackie was out in front, Cabinet conferences were sure to be successful.

Blackie was a direct beneficiary from the Munich Conference. In the flood of congratulatory messages that poured into Number 10 for Prime Minister Chamberlain and his wife came two sole-choicest of English fish—for Blackie.

Founding Of Japanese Empire

Celebration Of To Good Start With Bombing Chinese City

The Japanese announced proudly that they had carried out their greatest mass bombing of a single objective since the start of the undeclared war against China.

The city selected for the exploit was Lanchow, capital of Kansu Province. Japanese bombers dropped high explosives on the people of the town steadily for three days, December 26, 27 and 28. As many as 101 bombing planes participated at one time. More destruction was accomplished than during an entire previous month of smaller bombing attacks.

"The attack," says the Japanese communique, "was a brilliant prelude to next year's celebration of the 2600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire."—New York Post.

New Scenic Motor Route

The Banff-Jasper Highway Will Open On Dominion Day

The official opening of the Banff-Jasper Highway will take place Dominion Day, July 1, 1940. It is announced by the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa. One of the most ambitious of Canada's scenic highway projects the new road provides a direct link between the great mountain playgrounds of Banff and Jasper National Parks in Alberta, shortening the distance between the resorts of Banff and Jasper to 186 miles instead of a 511-mile drive required by previous motor routes. The new highway enables motorists to pass through a mountain fastness formerly impenetrable except by saddle-horse and pack-train, and opens up regions of unrivaled beauty and scenic grandeur.

Designed to provide safe mountain motoring, the road follows level stretches of valley and climbs or descends mountain sides in smooth, gentle curves. The minimum road width is 18 feet, but the actual travel way is generally wider, especially on curves. The average maximum grade is eight per cent, and it does not reach ten per cent. at any point. Along the highway facilities provided for the convenience of the travelling public include modern chalets, auto bungalow camps, picnic grounds, and picnic grounds with outdoor fireplaces.

Some of the highlights of a motor drive over this colourful mountain road include Bow Lake, Mistaya and North Saskatchewan River Valleys, Sunwapta Pass, Athabasca Glacier, Sunwapta Falls, and Athabasca Lookout. The highway passes within a few hundred feet of Athabasca Glacier, the second largest ice tongue to issue from the huge Columbia Icefield, the greatest body of ice south of the Arctic Circle.

In addition to uniting two of Canada's great national parks, the new mountain road connects with the main highway systems of Canada and the United States, and gives motorists from all parts of the continent access to the rugged grandeur of the territory nestled beneath and paralleling the line of the main peaks of the Canadian Rockies.

Fear Christian Ideals

Nazis Will Not Allow Soldiers To Have A Bible

Because the Nazis fear Christian ideals will undermine the brutality of German soldiers, the Bible has been banned from the front. Soldiers of the Reich are not to be allowed to read the Scriptures.

The Nazi research department has discovered that the regiments where the Christian ideals were the strongest were the units which revolted first in the last war. With that in mind, Hitler has not wanted his soldiers getting any encouragement to mutiny from the Bible.

In an announcement banning the Bible, the soldiers are told: "Neither the Bible or works of religion must be carried in the soldier's pack. Adolf Hitler has not mobilized the German people for spiritual interests."

With the Bible barred from the German army, the soldiers can be expected to indulge in all the brutality of the Kaiser's armies. Hitler wants to intimidate the world by bestiality.—W. L. Clark, in Windsor Star.

Material In Newspapers

Froves Very Often That Truth Is Stranger Than Fiction

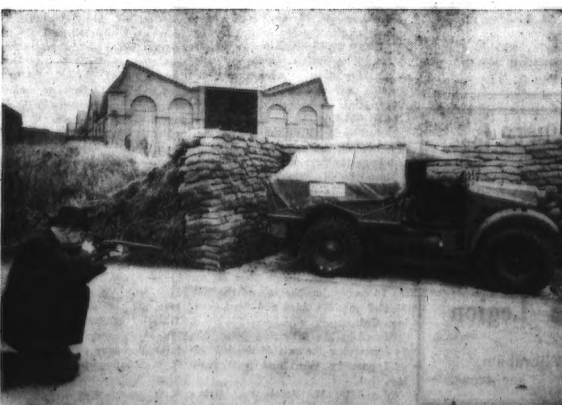
The New York Times says: The newspaper gives us life itself. It tells us by news report all the complications of modern life. We also learn how simple life really is, in spite of the incessant struggle for existence. The sports pages show men at play; the obituaries bring sorrow to many and to the average reader, the stark realization that at one time life will fade for all of us. We read of people who want employment, of people in dire need, and in the same paper of salaries in the thousands of dollars. When they said that truth is stranger than fiction, they were probably thinking of the material found in a newspaper.—Robert Weiner, Flushing, N.Y.

Canada ranks third among the gold-producing countries of the world if the Philippine output is excluded from the figures for the United States.

"Man can do no wrong." "Right. If there's a mistake made at home, it's his wife's fault; and if there's one made at the office, it's his secretary's."

Wild dogs killed 372 cattle and lions, leopards and crocodiles slew 130 animals on 32 farms in southern Rhodesia recently.

TESTING BRITAIN'S LATEST BULLET-PROOF TIRES



A new type of bullet-proof tire is being supplied to the British transports in the Army. This picture shows a Ministry of Supply expert testing one of the new tires by firing shots into it while being used on a medium transport. The driver was able to continue for many miles before the tires needed attention.



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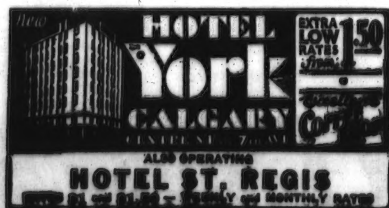
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CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

When the Liberal leader, Mr. Gray, entered the debate on the reply to the Speech from the Throne in the Assembly last week he delivered an address which was constructively critical to an unusual degree. It might even be said to have been more constructive than critical; instead of tearing down it actually invited policies for the government to take or leave alone.

For instance while he urged war time economy on the government's part, he suggested this take the form of the diversion of some part of the former outlays to the creation of a settlement scheme for soldiers returning from the war. And very wisely too, since nothing except winning the war is more vital than being able to consolidate victory when we have won it.

The government, led by Mr. Unwin of Edson, on the floor of the house and followed by Mr. Aberhart himself in a broadcast from an Edmonton radio station, not only poured ridicule on the suggestion but accused the Liberal leader of proposing "extravagance" with public funds. Since, however, what Mr. Gray actually proposed was merely the diversion of part of the government's normal expenditures, who are these who speak of "extravagance."

—Calgary Aftonian.

MAGNA CARTA IN WASHINGTON

Few things in recent days have given more sincere satisfaction to British people, reports would indicate, than the decision to keep the World Fair copy of Magna Carta in Washington until the end of the war.

The importance with which this paper is regarded in England is shown by the circumstances that it was arranged, not by the British Council, in whose hands cultural developments of this sort are usually left, but by co-operation between the Public Record and Foreign Offices. There are three other copies of Magna Carta extant, two in the British Museum and one in the Salisbury Cathedral. Each is of equal validity, but one of the Museum copies has its seal still in existence, which the others have not. This copy, however, is very badly damaged by fire, so that, on the whole, scholars are agreed that, in so far as it seems the most carefully written, the copy now in Washington is the best of the four.

It is, therefore, this very copy that, if they were given an absolutely free choice, the British people would elect to have most securely preserved.

—Christian Science Monitor

FARMERS MUST AID SELVES

(from the High River Times)

Whenever farmers are confronted with some price boost in goods which they must buy, they fall back on the explanation: "These industries are strongly organized." Whenever farmers fail to obtain any relative price for what they sell, they fall back on the excuse "We are not organized." Whose fault is it if the farmers of Canada are not organized in one vast body which should constitute one-third of the population of the dominion? They have a hundred and one little groups representing various elements of primary production, each concerned with its own particular problems. But they do not speak with one mighty voice. Therefore they are not feared by those who oppose their rights and they can be safely ignored by all.

THINGS I WISH I HAD KNOWN BEFORE I WAS 21

—That my health after 50 depended in a large degree upon what I put into my stomach before I was 21.
—How to take care of my money.
—That a man's habits are mighty hard to change after he is 21.
—That a harvest depends upon the seeds sown.
—That things worth while require time, patience and work.
—That you cannot get something for nothing.
—The value of absolute truthfulness to everything.
—The folly of not taking older people's advice.
—That what my mother wanted me to do was right.
—That "Dad" wasn't an old fogey after all.
—The greatness of the opportunity and joy of serving a fellowman. —Ex.

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The World of Wheat

H. G. L. Strange

It is typical of all years that prices gradually rise for all the things that farmers and all of us have to buy. The Canadian and Allied governments today are doing their utmost to prevent any spectacular increase in prices, but some increases unquestionably will take place.

The best defence of the farmer against rising prices for the things he has to buy, it would seem, would be for him during these war years to buy as little, and to sell as much as possible; which means simply that he should be thrifty, and should in addition should endeavor to provide for himself and for his family as much as his farm will produce of those things he needs at home, products such as eggs, butter, cheese, milk, cream, meat and vegetables, because what the farming family grows and itself consumes is not affected by rising prices. During the last war for instance, most business men in Great Britain grew their own vegetables.

If farmers during this war, therefore, would make a special effort to produce for their families at least the simple necessities of life, all of which spring from the soil, then I believe they would be doing not only a good thing for themselves, but in addition would be performing a patriotic duty to their country.

"The present world war is being waged in conformity with the spirit of the League of Nations by countries who are members of the League and who are now giving effect to its essential principle of collective security."—Warwick F. Chipman, K.C.

"I don't believe that any nation has ever prepared for war so well and so completely as the British Empire."—S. G. Baylock.

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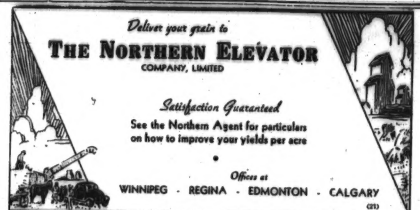
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VIKING ITEMS

The Viking Bridgettes held a progressive dinner party in honor of St. Valentine on Tuesday, February 13. The occasion started with cocktails at the home of Mrs. H. L. Caldwell, followed by delicious connoisseur at Mrs. G. C. Hawthorn's residence. Then on to the home of Mrs. Wm. Comisarow where a turkey dinner was enjoyed by all. To finish off the evening the party motored to Mrs. Mitchell Fitzmaurice's home where bridge was followed by a delicious dessert. Honors at bridge went to Mrs. Mitchell Fitzmaurice.

Rev. Fr. McGrane was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Viking Canadian Legion held in the Anglican parish hall last Friday evening. He outlined the object of the Canadian Legion Dominion-wide drive that began on Monday from coast to coast. Rev. Fr. McGrane proved himself a forceful speaker and his visit was much appreciated by local Legionnaires.

Victoria in town on Monday were Messrs. Roy McLeod, L. H. Myers, M. Wasmuth, of Edmonton, and J. Hoyer of Lacey. Roy McLeod will be remembered by many old-timers as having been a member of the hockey team of 1912-14 when he starred as the centre man, known as "Roarie" McLeod.

The N. C. Graham hardware is sponsoring a McCormick-Deering talking picture and entertainment on March 5th, ending up with a big free dance in the evening. Watch this paper for further announcements. Remember March 5th, big free show and a big free dance in the Elks hall.

The Slavik rink won first in the Northwest Blavery competition at the Edmonton bonspiel last week, and the Loades rink took third in the Jackson trophy. Both rinks report a finespiel in spite of warm weather the last three days. The prizes were quite handsome.

Elks hall was filled to capacity on Tuesday afternoon to see the motion picture program of the John Deere Co., sponsored by S. S. Caldwell. The door prize winners were Mrs. Henry Klontz and Mr. Thos. Ratnay.

Flags were flown at half mast this week on all public buildings to respect and reverence to the late Lord Tweedsmuir, the governor-general of Canada, who died on Sunday, February 11th, at 5:15 p.m.

The Bruce provincial C.C.F. nomination convention will be held at Bruce on Thursday, February 23rd, commencing at 9 p.m.

Mrs. E. C. Riley who was injured during a fall in Edmonton is now in the Viking hospital for medical attention.

Alfred Klontz left Sunday morning to visit his sister, Miss Mary Klontz, and other relatives in Seattle, Wash.

Two rinks from the local club are competing in the Holden bonspiel which opened Monday morning.

In order to assist the Liberal federal candidate, Mr. Chas. Claeys of Enslin, in the Camrose riding, Liberals along the C.N. line held an enthusiastic meeting at Viking on Thursday of last week and organized as follows: president, J. W. Stambaugh of Bruce; vice-pres., W. C. Bissell of Viking; secretary-treasurer, Thos. White of Holden. Executive members: for Ryley, H. J. Hill, J. A. Goodall, Clayton McLennan; for Holden, C. Riederman, Robt. Simons; for Bruce, Henry Owens, Albert Dupuis; for Viking, J. P. Rommehel, W. J. Kelly, H. G. Thumell; for Kinross, P. J. Wargames, R. Cormac, E. C. Williams. It is hoped that all liberal-minded electors in this part of the Camrose riding will rally to the support of Mr. Claeys.

The Social Credit nominating convention for Bruce constituency was held at Bruce on Saturday. Four names were placed before the convention as follows: Dr. J. L. McPherson of Ryley; Wm. Bruce, of Bruce; A. English, of Lacey; and E. H. Logan of Edmonton. We understand that the last three named withdrew in favor of Mr. McPherson whose name will go before the Social Credit advisory board consisting of premier Aberhart, attorney-general Aberhart, and minister of education Aberhart, and if found satisfactory, will be the official nominee of the Social Credit group of the new provincial constituency of Bruce in the forthcoming election.

It is hoped that the final local bonspiel will get under way on Thursday of this week. The committee is busy securing prizes and making the necessary arrangements.

Skins are reminded to collect from the members of their rinks in order that prizes and expenses may be paid. At least sixteen rinks will compete.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Thilker have returned from a visit with friends in Edmonton.

English Youngsters Cheer Canadian Troops



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Courtesy Canadian Pacific

With the first Canadian division down to hard work in England route marching is playing no mean part in the training schedule. The illustration shows one of the Canadian Scottish battalions swinging along, the smiles no doubt being due to the warmth of English welcome and in anticipation of the evening tea.

A VICTORIA JANUARY IDYLL



Vancouver Island's reputation as Canada's Evergreen Playground is upheld by this idyllic scene photographed January 6th at Victoria, B.C. The lamb is a real one, only six days old. It was born January 1 on the farm of E. J. T. Woodward, near Victoria. The pretty little lady is Sally, two-and-a-half-year-old daughter and only child of Commander E. A. ("Tony") Wright, R.C.N., and Mrs. Wright, Esquimalt. The flowers were picked in the gardens of the Empress Hotel. Canadians and Americans are visiting Victoria in large numbers this winter, the ideal weather permitting them to enjoy winter golf, tennis, fishing, riding and hiking under splendid conditions.

FEEDING OVERSEAS BOUND CANADIAN TROOPS WAS BIG JOB FOR THIS KITCHEN ON WHEELS



Out of this commissary car went about 1,500 meals when some 500 Canadian soldiers bound for overseas and now in camp "Somewhere in England" travelled to the seaboard from Montreal by a special Canadian National Railways troop train.

The car was typical of those that accompanied the train carrying the men of the first contingent to their ships. Six of these C.N.R. commissary cars have been used in the movement of troops over the lines of the National System. At one end was a butcher shop, at the other a bake shop and behind the counter stood 14 members of the railway's dining car staff —

bakers, cooks, stewards, chefs and waiters. Fatigue parties of eight soldiers served each of the 14 cars, collecting the rations and taking them to the troops in special containers.

According to the comments of the men, the food was good. And it was plentiful. Nearly a hundredweight of rolled oats for porridge, for instance, for this one train; 81 gallons of milk; 150 dozen eggs; 100 pounds of bacon; 185 pounds of sausage.


Bread and butter was a big item. On this trip 316 loaves were used, some 4,000 slices of bread all cut and buttered by hand for each meal. Butter totalled 436 pounds.

A vegetable peeler rolled out 14 pounds of potatoes a minute. In all, 850 pounds of potatoes were consumed; 300 pounds of turnips; 400 pounds of carrots; 100 of onions and 200 of cabbage.

Meat ran to more than 1,000 pounds and some of it went on the train in carcasses. The soldiers drank 175 gallons of coffee (about 2,500 cups); 50 pounds of tea disappeared and 500 pounds of sugar.

Fruit? By all means. Three hundred and twenty pounds of them. Scores of pies and cakes baked on the train went the way of all pies and cakes. Fifty-four-pound tins of tins and marmalade vanished too.

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The Path To Health

A reduction of 25 per cent. in deaths from all diseases and accidents combined in the period of the last ten years in the Dominion is a record of which the people of Canada have a right to be proud, since the statistics indicate marked progress in the fields of both preventive and curative medical treatment, and this, of course, includes the sphere of surgery.

This achievement is more particularly notable since the progress along the path to better health and greater longevity has coincided with one of the worst eras in Canada's economic history, 1929 to 1939 inclusive. It means that during a period when people have less money to spend on luxuries than formerly they have been devoting themselves to the task of promoting better health and longer life and have been giving hearty support to public health authorities, scientists and the medical profession in their efforts towards these worthy objectives with considerable success. Surely these objectives and these results are deserving of commendation and the people of this country generally should be congratulated.

Some statistics of mortality from various diseases during the past decade among the 1,250,000 policy holders of the industrial department of one of the large life insurance companies, which may fairly be taken as representative of the people of the Dominion as a whole, show tremendous declines in the death incidence of many diseases which formerly took a very heavy toll of the populace, and show that during the past two years, 1938 and 1939, the mortality rate has been the lowest in Canadian history. In 1939 new low mortality rates for tuberculosis, pneumonia, scarlet fever, diarrhoeal diseases and accidents combined, were recorded.

Marked Progress

Public enemy No. 1 in the death rate column as recently as 11 years ago, tuberculosis, as a cause of death in Canada has dropped to third place. The death rate from this disease among the company's policyholders last year was seven per cent. lower than in 1938 and 45 per cent. lower than in 1929—an indication that this disease is succumbing to the onslaughts being made upon it by the co-operative efforts of the public, the medical profession, research workers and public health authorities.

Even more marked progress has been shown during the past ten years in the fight against some of the other dangerous diseases. Mortality from pneumonia, one of the most deadly diseases a few years ago, has declined in a single year by 19 per cent. and in the last ten years by 55 per cent., the company reports. Deaths from influenza have declined 70 per cent. in the decade, while a decline of 13 per cent. in a single year and 65 per cent. in ten years marks the progress of the battle against the four principal communicable diseases among children: measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough and diphtheria.

With respect to diphtheria," says the insurance company, "it is interesting to note that ten years ago it caused about as many deaths among the insured in Canada, as did the three other communicable diseases combined. To-day, deaths from whooping cough, despite a reduction of 40 per cent. outnumber those from diphtheria."

Deaths from diarrhoea and enteritis have declined 12 per cent. in one year and 75 per cent. in ten years; from puerperal conditions, some but not all of which may be attributed to a declining birth rate, 25 per cent. in the decade and fatal accidents, 30 per cent. in the ten years. No decline, however, is shown in the number of deaths from automobile accidents in the ten year period, otherwise the reduction in accidental deaths would have been substantially increased.

More To Be Done

While these facts and figures will be digested with considerable satisfaction, the war against preventable disease and death is by no means won but they do show that real progress is being made. There is a dark side to the picture represented in the increasing death rate from cancer which was 35 per cent. higher in 1939 than ten years ago. It is to be hoped, however, that the present campaign which is now being conducted to make the people thoroughly conversant with the symptoms of this great killer and of the fact that the disease can be cured if caught and treated in the earlier stages will bear fruit during the decade, 1939 to 1949. There is no doubt that thousands in Canada who have been laid in the grave, victims of cancer, and hundreds who to-day are doomed to an early demise from the same cause would be alive and healthy, had they had the knowledge that would have sent them to their physicians in time.

Cancer is not the only disease, on which concerted efforts must be put if the death rate for the next ten years is to show a corresponding, or even greater decline than the past decade. During the past ten years the mortality rates from diabetes, heart diseases, diseases of the coronary arteries and chronic nephritis have all shown appreciable rises.

While, as listed, these diseases which are becoming a greater menace to the people of Canada, are comparatively few in number, they offer a wide field for more research, more education and more co-operation between the public, health authorities and the insurance companies themselves, who, it might not be amiss to remark, are rendering a valuable service in the efforts they are making to promote health, reduce mortality rates and make available to the public health information which will help the people to help themselves to better health, and hence, greater happiness.

Simple Courtesy

Simple courtesy injected into our everyday human relations would do more to extend the spirit of good-will than all other efforts combined. Courtesy begets kindness and kindness awakens goodwill and confidence and ripens into understanding, and understanding is peace.

Craig Harbor, Northwest Territories, Canada, is the most northerly post office in the British Empire.

"When a pedestrian and a motorist meet squarely at a cross-roads, which has the right of way?"
"Oh, it's generally a toss-up for the pedestrian."

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A Rabbit Drive

Novel Method Adopted For Assisting The Red Cross Fund

Saskatchewan residents have a novel way of raising funds for the Red Cross, reports Mary Gardner, of Manor. This is a "rabbit drive" several of which have been held in the Auburnton district, 14 miles south of Manor.

These rabbit drives usually are held on a Saturday afternoon, and each one covers approximately six miles. In the centre of this area a rabbit corral (or trap) is built of chicken-wire, square, with one side open and two wings projecting like the sides of a funnel.

At a specified time, usually around 1 p.m., men, women and girls meet for the drive. They advance on the corral from four directions, spread out in four long lines. On a signal they start walking or running toward the trap, through fields and farmyards, driving the rabbits before them. These lines are kept in place by two mounted men, who prevent one line from getting ahead of another.

Eventually, the four lines meet in the centre and the frightened rabbits are herded into the trap. When the hunters disperse a specially selected crew dispatches the rabbits as quickly and painlessly as possible. The carcasses are disposed of to butchers or fox farms. The pelts eventually find their way to manufacturers of felt hats, while the meat is fed to flocks.

From five to seven cents is received for each rabbit and the proceeds of each hunt is turned over to the local Red Cross Society.

In addition to providing the Red Cross with funds, these drives rid the communities of the rodents which, in most cases have become community pests.

No Travel Rush

British Ski Enthusiasts Not Going To Switzerland This Year

Ordinarily at this season the Victoria Station platform from which trains leave for Channel boats is jammed with people and luggage and bundles of skis, all heading for snow and sunshine. This winter the golden age of the Swiss hotel-keepers seems to have come temporarily to an end as far as British visitors are concerned: after a recent snow-fall people merely waxed their skis and took them out to do a few wistful turns on the mild English slopes. Even in the face of such a depressing business outlook, the clerks in Thomas Cook's Berkeley Square travel office are successfully preserving that air of polite detachment which they have cultivated so carefully for years. A young woman who had somehow contrived to secure up a permit to leave the country went in there the other day and broke the cathedral hush of the place by asking, in as casual a voice as she could manage, how to get to the Swiss skiing country. The clerk simply nodded, reached for the proper travel folders, and said, "Certainly, Madam. May I suggest that you go via Paris?" London Letter to The New Yorker.

SELECTED RECIPES

NUT COOKIES

1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs
1/2 cup Bee Hive White Corn Syrup
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
Grated rind of one lemon
2 cups flour
Chopped nuts
Cream butter, add sugar, beat, add one whole egg and one yolk (saving one white for top) add syrup, beat, add milk and rind then add dry ingredients sifted together and mix thoroughly. A little more flour may be needed. Drop on buttered tins and brush tops with slightly beaten egg white and sprinkle with chopped nuts. Bake at 350 degrees F. 10 to 15 minutes. Makes approximately three dozen.

CARDINAL PEAR MOLD

1 package Cherry Jell-O
1 1/2 cups hot water
1/2 cup juice from canned or cooked pears
1/2 teaspoon ginger
1/2 teaspoon salt
Pear sections
Dissolve Jell-O in hot water. Add pear juice, ginger, and salt. Turn into individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold. Garnish with sections of pears. Serves four.

Got Secret From China

Justinian, Byzantine emperor, succeeded in getting the silk secret from China by bribing two monks to smuggle some of the silkworms out of the country in their bamboo staffs. Afterward, silk became more widely used, although it remained expensive.

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Medical Care Of The Military Forces Is A Matter Of Timely Interest

The development of the medical care of the military forces of Great Britain is of timely general interest because to-day the Army Medical Service Corps occupies so much more an important place than it did years ago.

In 1680 there were only four regiments in the British army. To these, surgeons were attached. Their names appeared in the army list and their pay was 4s. a day with a horse to carry their chests. It became possible, some time later, for the medical officer to hold a combatant commission also, purchasing one as an ensign which permitted him to receive half a crown a day for extra hospital service. He had no combatant duty and was regarded as a staff officer. In 1885 there apparently was an Army Medical Service, as there is mention of a surgeon general. There was also a company of surgeons of London who examined the surgeons for the army and navy. The services rendered at this time were chiefly regimental, but there were general hospitals in the rear. In 1749, Middleton, surgeon to the forces, introduced hospitals with separate beds, clean linen and trained nurses.

Medical inspection of recruits came in 1745. 1757 medical officers wore the uniform of the corps to which they belonged. In 1760 a surgeon's pay was 73 pounds, while a captain's was 182 pounds. Surgeons bought their commissions and paid as much as 500 pounds.

This information was recently given by Dr. D. E. Robertson, president of the Academy of Medicine, Toronto, who added, "It may seem strange to us but it is recorded that physicians were highly educated, often university graduates, and were paid very much in advance of regimental surgeons. During a war a surgeon might even be raised to the rank of a physician. The surgeons, however, had some famous men. John Hunter was once surgeon general and served in Portugal in 1760-1763. During all this time the medical officer was distinct with his position in the army. He did not

have the standing of an ordinary combatant officer."

"In 1900, or thereabouts, the queen approved the Royal Army Medical Corps, and the titles of its officers as known now. 'Through all these years,' said Dr. Robertson, 'there had been a steady fight for the recognition of the army doctor as a man who deserved to rank as an officer. There had been apparently a dearth of men skilled in their profession in the army. It must be understood that most of the above discussion is in relation to regular army service and is therefore a situation that does not apply to Canada. In Canada we have several companies of regular troops and a skeleton permanent medical corps, the medical hospital work of these troops being done by the department of pensions and national health. We have also volunteer militia medical units. One may state with truth that our problem as to medical military service is quite different from that of a country with a large permanent army."

"The medical and surgical problems that beset an army are those of public health and surgery. A well trained physician in civil life is most valuable in military life, while a qualified, active, experienced civil surgeon is one who is best qualified to apply to military needs the surgical practices of the past and the innovations of the present. The officers of the permanent medical force are trained and skilled in military establishments and in the routine conduct of an army medical organization."

"The members of the non-permanent Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, however, have quite a different background. Some of them are highly trained and skillful practitioners. It would seem that this type have their future as practitioners to which to look forward, and unless they wish to go into administrative positions they should be employed in a wholly medical capacity. Rank in this instance at once becomes, or may become, an obstruction to proper organization of an effective unit."

Demand For Hogs

Necessity Of Keeping The Cost Of Production As Low As Possible

The importance of keeping the cost of producing hogs as low as possible was stressed by A. W. Peterson, chief Live Stock and Poultry Production Services, Dominion Department of Agriculture, in a recent address to the Eastern Ontario Yorkshire Breeders' Association.

The Canadian Government has now made a definite undertaking to provide regular weekly shipments up to 5,000,000 pounds of bacon and other pork products to Great Britain at an assured price. Mr. Peterson pointed out that the cost of production might be a factor determining whether Canadian hog producers can continue to supply the United Kingdom with bacon.

At the same time it is necessary to continue improving quality in hogs and in bacon. Mr. Peterson compared the present situation in the Canadian hog industry with conditions at the outbreak of the war of 1914-18. At that time feed prices advanced sharply but hog prices did not. The relationship between the price of feed and the price of hogs was not favourable to swine production. During the period of the last war Great Britain doubled her imports of bacon. While exports from Canada were increased, this export did not come about entirely through an increase in Canadian swine production. It was done partly through imports of bacon from the United States. Although Great Britain doubled imports of bacon in the last war it does not necessarily follow that this will happen in the present situation.

At the outbreak of the present war there were tremendous increases in crop production in Canada. Feed supplies were plentiful in all sections. Feed prices were low while hog prices were at a satisfactory level. The relationship between feed and hog prices was, and still is, favourable to hog production, a condition which has prevailed for some time. As a result, weekly marketings of hogs in the last few weeks have been the largest ever known. Exports of pork products to Great Britain have also been heavy.

Mr. Peterson said that breeders of pure bred hogs would benefit from the development of the hog industry if they produced breeding stock of a quality which would help commercial hog producers to make satisfactory profits.

Canada's Folk Songs

Niece Of Sir Wilfrid Laurier Pleads For Their Preservation

Canada possesses music and songs as old, authentic and beautiful as any country in the entire world, Juliette Gutier de la Verendrye, niece of Sir Wilfrid Laurier told the Women's Canadian Club at Toronto.

Miss Gaultier made a plea for the preservation of the Eskimo, Indian, Quebec and Acadian folk songs and also for Canadian handicrafts, free from modernization. "We should not modernize in any way what is so beautiful and sacred to us," she said. "Here we are able to boast 10,000 folk songs."

Her investigations in Canada, she said, had led her to miracle songs, and dated back to the twelfth century, and very many that could be traced to seventeenth century France. "The words retained here remain the unvarnished French ones and our tunes, too, are more authentic than those in present-day France."

Miss Gaultier announced that she is working on the natural colors of Canada and that soon she hopes to have 600 colors from plant dyes that she would distribute throughout the world. In her study of the Acadians and their legends, songs and culture, she would go next to Louisiana, she said.

Might Lose Everything

People Unwilling To Make Sacrifices Must Face Truth

Some there is who say: "We must not surrender this!" or "We must not give way on that!" others who want to sit down and discuss "war aims" or "peace aims". As Lord Lothian points out, the people who are talking that way will not be talking at all, will not be permitted to talk, if Hitler wins. They will be liquidated, urged, hunted, as millions already have been hunted, over the face of the earth.

The time has come when more of us must give thought to this truth—that for all of us this war is life or death, existence or extinction, future freedom or future slavery. Nothing that we can lose now, nothing that we can offer or give or have taken from us can be more than a fraction of what we should lose if this war be lost.—Ottawa Journal.

Turkey's area of 300,000 square miles is all in Asia except 10,000 in Europe. 2343

CANADIAN OFFICER DIES IN R.A.F. SERVICE



Pilot Officer Richard Coe of Winfield, B.C., who a few weeks ago was a principal in the first all-Canadian war wedding on English soil, was killed in active service with the Royal Air Force. Coe was married to his childhood sweetheart and the entire Canadian squadron attended the unique ceremony which coincided with the visit to the base of Hon. T. A. Crerar, Canadian Minister of Mines. This photograph, sent from London, shows Hon. T. A. Crerar congratulating a Canadian flying officer a few hours before getting married, and although the photograph does not mention Pilot Officer Coe, we believe the event was so unusual the officer in the photograph must be Pilot Officer Coe.

Prepare For Experiment

University Of Toronto Chemists On The Verge Of An Important Discovery

After a year and a half of chemical analysis, University of Toronto chemists prepared for an experiment which will tell if they have succeeded in breaking down royal jelly—the mysterious substance on which queen bees are nurtured in the larva state to make them rulers of the hive.

Success of the experiment may forecast synthetic production of the precious fluid which some scientists believe can be used beneficially on retarded children and for other human diseases.

The result of the chemists' work will be tested in a beehive at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Ont. In a few weeks when the little crystals the chemists believe to be the essence of royal jelly will be injected in larva.

If the larva reacts to the substance segregated by Dr. C. G. Lucas and G. F. Townsend, the hidden chemical that makes the queen bee will be known.

The highest temperature used in chemistry is about 6,000 degrees Fahrenheit, which occurs when acetylene is burned with oxygen.

The British Empire produces 70 per cent. of the tea in the world and consumes 75 per cent.

Egypt has ruled that all merchandise leaving the country must bear a declaration that it is not destined for Germany or other enemy countries.

Facsimile Machine

Designed To Give Airliners In Flight Pointers About The Weather

Invention of a radio facsimile machine designed to deliver weather maps and other information to airliners in flight was announced by a former United States naval officer, W. G. H. Finch.

It is capable of reproducing sketches, typewritten orders and handwriting at a rate of about 150 words a minute, and also can be used for plane-ground communication in war time.

While radio facsimile reproduction between land stations no longer is a novelty, the device built by Finch is the first to employ both sending and receiving apparatus in an airplane.

An officer of the inventor's company, Finch Telecommunications, Inc., of Passaic, N.J., said the facsimile machine was substantially static-proof. In the course of its development weather maps, storm warnings, wind velocities and other data were transmitted automatically from the ground to planes in flight.

A Winged Mammal

The Malaysian flying lemur is the most completely winged of all mammals, except the bat. A membranous prolongation of the skin connects the limbs with each other, and the hind limbs with the tail. Its flight, like that of the flying squirrel, is only a leap and glide.

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Bomb Shelter In Paris Was Built By Romans Two Thousand Years Ago

Scientific Farming

British Agriculturist Speaks Of The Advantages Of To-day

Taking the 100-year old motto of the Royal Agricultural Society of England "Practice with Science" as the subject of his recent address to the British Association, Sir Thomas Middleton, a leading British agriculturist, pointed out that during the decade 1831-1840 the land of Great Britain maintained a population of about 17 millions. It now provides food for about 44 millions, and this although farmers of to-day have available, as their predecessors had not, artificial manures, first-rate implements improved varieties of crops and all the assistance which a century of scientific study has given to agriculture.

Although it was an easy thing to criticize much of the farming one sees to-day in Great Britain, said Sir Thomas, it would be unjust to fix responsibility for the farm's condition upon the occupant of the farm. All who are in contact with the industry know that in the post-war period rising costs and uncertain prices have so crippled the resources of the farmer that he is quite unable to bestow on his land the same careful treatment that it got from his forefathers; and no one regrets its condition more than does the farmer himself. In the preparations for defence, the position of agriculture is a large one, but, be it place large or small, it is for services rendered in connection with defence that farmers can legitimately ask the nation to pay, as it is paying and paying heavily, for the services of others similarly engaged.

Looking to the future, the old motto, "Practice with Science," is still applicable. The nation which relied on the British farmer for its food supply in 1838 cannot do without his aid in 1938, while the farmer himself, if he is to do his part as his forefathers did, must take as his watchword "Practice with Science."

International Commission

Finds Dams Check The Flow Of Water To Manitoba

Effect of dams upon lower waters of the Souris river which flows from Saskatchewan into North Dakota and then through Manitoba to join the Red river, will be submitted to study by the International joint commission, it was announced.

Engineers from Canada and the United States will study the question and report to the commission. Hon. Charles Stewart, Ottawa, is chairman of the Canadian section.

Dams in the upper reaches of the river in Saskatchewan and in North Dakota, it has been claimed, have lowered water levels in Manitoba's section of the river. Governments of North Dakota, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, are interested as well as the United States departments of interior and agriculture and the Canadian departments of agriculture and mines and resources.

The Canadian department of agriculture is especially interested in the lowered water levels because of irrigation schemes in connection with the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation organization to deal with drought problems.

Terms of reference to the international commission indicate there will be an inquiry into a fair apportionment of the river's waters, into what control measures in regard to the flow of waters would be feasible, and, finally, what temporary or interim steps should be taken to protect interests of all concerned.

A Timely Tip

Comfort to millions of Germans suffering in zero cold was offered by the newspaper Lokalanzeiger.

First, the paper advised against the use of hot alcoholic drinks. "Drinks" freeze easily, the paper warned.

On the positive side, the newspaper advised:

1. Rub the body extremities, such as the nose.

2. If the nose turns red or blue rub it vigorously with snow, if there is any snow.

3. Keep moving.

In an Egyptian tomb, archaeologists have found a picture of a black puppy under his master's chair; and the dog's name in hieroglyphics was "Ebony".

An average aeroplane flies 3.6 miles on a gallon of gasoline, and about 100 miles on a gallon of lubricating oil.

One of the safest and probably the most interesting bomb shelter in Paris was built by a Roman general. But little realized what its ultimate use would be when he called his soldiers to work on it something around 2,000 years ago.

His chief concern at that time was to build a first class arena capable of holding 8,000 spectators who enjoyed the amusement of seeing the lions eat the Christians—or an occasional battle between Roman gladiators.

Not far from the Moufflard in the Latin Quarter—where the treasures of golden coins were discovered last winter when some 10th century buildings were torn down—a workman discovered what appeared to be a series of stone steps covered by earth. This was just a little over 30 years ago. He uncovered several and an archaeological expert looked over his find, declaring they were part of a Roman arena.

Parts of that ancient arena have been used over and over again down through the centuries in each series of buildings built on the spot. A brick cut almost anywhere in the quarter and you have a museum piece of Roman village.

The buildings were torn down and after the war the whole area was uncovered. It was found to be one of the finest in existence and very well preserved. The wide stone steps, divided in several series, led down gently into the playfield in the middle. Here the spectators sat. Under the seating and separated by protecting walls, were to be found caverns. These opened into the arena but their openings were covered with iron bars. Here the lions were kept—and sometimes they held captives. Other rooms were dressing rooms—and all of them up until a month or two ago remained in their original state.

Deep in the earth—running back under the streets and buildings—these serve to-day as excellent "shelters". Iron bars have been given a coat of anti-rust, they have been walled in; notices outside indicate seating accommodation. Here are the modern bomb-proof shelters which Caesar himself ordered built. The axis was the Rome-Paris, and Hitler might well be expected to protest to Mussolini about it.

There are many strange shelters in Paris. The underground railway is, of course, the biggest, and serves as a natural one. But wine caves are excellent—according to those who drew them—and it is rumored that even the catacombs may come back into use. The walls, lined for miles with 10,000,000 bones and decorated with garlands of skulls (the humor of the workmen who piled them) might not be too cheerful company while waiting for a bomb.

Les oubliettes (the forgotten) used to be a prison in the middle ages in which prisoners were walled up. To-day it is a little music hall—but here too, if the stress scream out, the ancient cells—or at least some of them—might not be too cheerful and to give tourists a thrill may serve once more.

Empire Air Plan

May Result In Bringing Many Women And Children To Canada

The Empire air plan may result in the movement of several hundred women—wives of Royal Air Force men engaged in instruction—and children to Canada.

This would involve the establishing of homes in the Dominion and the placing of children in schools. The question is under consideration but it has not been settled whether the government would merely permit the exodus or assist in paying the passages.

Officers with high technical qualifications have been chosen to go to the Dominion. They include staff officers, flying instructors, engineer officers and officers to advise in aeronautical schools.

Several tons of material will be taken for instruction purposes, including parts of aeroplanes, instruments, guns, ammunition and theoretical manuals.

Quite Hopeless With a gloomy look on his face, the private came down the steps of the military hospital.

"Hello, Bill," said a passing comrade. "And how is the sergeant-major this morning?"

"There's no hope," he said, sadly. "He returns to duty tomorrow."

Europe began to get emeralds from South America in the latter part of the sixteenth century.



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World of Sport

The local rinks gave a good account of themselves at the Edmonton banquet. The Slavik clan worked nicely together and brought home the silver which indicated the best rink among the visitors. Leonard Londe and his cohorts made the third prize in the Jackson competition. And when a rink manages to get a prize in that bumptious, it must be good.

In local sports you sometimes hear quite a verbal kick against having to play two games in succession. Jack Slavik has had a lot of explaining to do to satisfy these squawkers. But just take a look at the Edmonton draw. The Coburn rink of Dayland had to play 15 consecutive games.

They tell us that mules refuse to work when they have reached the limit of reasonable endurance. The Coburn curriers longed to not like mules and quit, but sportsmanship would not permit. Of course they had to be good curriers to remain in so many competitions. And as it was they won the Jackson trophy and took second in the Gas Company.

Godoy, the slugger from C'ville, gave Joe Louis the surprise of his life at their meeting in Madison Square Gardens. The name "Chili" when applied to sauce, suggests a tomato concoction with plenty of pep. And that is what Godoy supplied. Over the 15-round route, the Chilean supplied delightful entertainment for the millions looking or listening. Joe at the same time was laboriously piling up

Edmonton Letter

Edmonton, Alta., Feb. 13—Alberta's government is continuing this week to skip hurriedly through the session of the legislature to get it out of the way by the end of the week.

The government's strategy depends on drawing out the session by this Saturday, or by next Tuesday at the latest, if possible, so as to get the election date set for March 21 without being forced to make any move to obviously "stratagem" as to change the rules of the game for itself by reducing the present legal minimum time of 30 days for notice of election.

Because there is convincing evidence that most, if not all, of the Social Credit federal representation will be wiped out of the provincial government can't rush to the polls first, and because the chief plank in the (Aberhart campaign platform for the past three years has been its cries against the federal government—and that plank would have to be discarded as soon as the federal government is either re-elected by the mandate of all Canada or replaced by a new government—the whole Social Credit party strategy within Alberta depends on getting to the polls before the federal election is held March 26. So March 21 is the provincial date planned.

Therefore, unless the opposition members in the Alberta house can succeed in keeping the legislature together in order to pass needed general legislation, discuss the state of affairs in Alberta generally, and give thought to how the government spent about \$25,000,000 last year, the legislature will be wound up and dissolved within the next few days.

The 14 Alberta members who have been sitting in the house of commons since 1935 as Social Crediters and who want to be re-elected have their own embarrassing problems—the question of what their party will be when they ask for votes. For the past year they had thought that they would be the "New Democrats"—followers of a new banner which they helped Hon. W. D. Herridge to unfurl last year. But to their great surprise, they had heard nothing at all from Mr. Herridge up to the week-end, since the federal election was called. They only read in the papers that he would be coming out in Kinross, Sask., to campaign for election in the seat which a Social Credit member resigned for him last autumn; they also read that he had no plans for coming to Alberta.

The government voted solidly against an investigation into the agriculture, trade and industry, and attorney-general departments Saturday day after E. L. Gray, Liberal leader, had made sweeping and specific charges alleging "a ring of petty thefts and graft" in the agriculture department with "collusion" among officials of the department.

He charged that horses from the provincial school of agriculture that had been sold ostensibly for fox-feed turned up later on the farm of Hon. D. B. Mullen, and that the same man was active in re-organization of a fox farm which leaped suddenly in valuation from \$4,000 to \$10,000 and got a \$10,000 loan from the government. Mr. Mullen and provincial secretary Manning stood up to defend themselves with explanations of the deal, Mr. Manning declaring the money was simply protected. Mr. Mullen said he would welcome an investigation, but when Mr. Gray asked for an investigation, Mr. Mullen joined the rest of the government in voting against it.

points to take the decision. The crowd yelled for a draw, but there is no doubt but that the Detroit negro desired the lifted hand. It was a great contest, one of the best in which Louis has participated.

Dizzy Dean is mad because the Chicago Cubs offered him \$10,000 for whatever he can do during the 1940 season. Now ten thousand would make a lot of ball players leap with joy. But not Dizzy. It is all because the salary last year was \$20,000, and the cut of fifty per cent. indicates Dean is way down the hill in the estimation of the manager. After Dizzy storms around and makes a lot of good copy for the papers, possibly the salary will be named at \$12,000.

Sift the flour—Flour has a tendency to pack down, especially fine wheat flour. One may easily put as much as an extra cup of flour in a recipe if it is not sifted before measuring.

LOCALS

The local W.C.T.U. will meet at Mrs. Parke's Thursday afternoon, February 22, at 8 o'clock. Report books to be studied and plans arranged for special affairs.

At a well attended meeting of representatives of the groups in zone No. 8, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Carrington on Tuesday evening, February 10th, Mrs. A. E. Kruken was elected zone organizer to take the place of Mrs. James Jackson who was one of the persons nominated at the Social Credit nominating convention held at Edmonton on February 7th. Mr. Wm. Masson, M.L.A., of Irma, and Mr. Ed. Smith of Car were also nominated. From this group of three a candidate will be selected to contest the next election for the Wainwright constituency.

Thos. G. Dark, eyesight specialist, will be at the Viking Drug Store on Monday evening after 7 o'clock, and Tuesday, February 27th, 2:30 to 5:30; at the Irma Drug Store, Tuesday morning, Feb. 27, 9 to 12 o'clock; at Jarow 12 to 1; and at Kinross, 1 to 2.

The Calgary Power Co. has a crew of men at work this week in Irma making a number of changes in their power system in order to give better service to their customers.

St. Valentine's Day was observed in the junior room of the Irma public school by having a Valentine party. Children of the district under school age were guests of the pupils during the afternoon.

A very fine joint service of the Irma Anglican and United Churches was held on Sunday afternoon February 11th, in the United Church. Mr. Garth Walker of Edmonton who attended the Youth Congress last summer at Amsterdam as a delegate from the Anglican Church gave an account of the doings of this world wide gathering in that city. This was very interesting and instructive. Following the lecture, Mr. Walker showed a number of lantern slides taken at Amsterdam.

The next regular meeting of the Alma Mater and Rosborough Ladies Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Younker on Feb. 22 at 2:30 p.m. Devotional, Mrs. Geo. Younker; hostesses, Mrs. A. Fletcher and Mrs. B. Oldham. Friends and neighbors are always welcome.

There will be a meeting of the C.C.F. group at Irma on Tuesday evening, February 20th. As this is an important meeting, all members are asked to be present.

The Times has received a couple of clippings from the Provost newspaper in which farrow parties were held in Gunner Archie Levitt on the eve of his departure for Edmonton to join his unit, the 1st Battery R.C.A. Gunner Levitt was presented with a wrist watch and a pen and pencil set. This young soldier formerly lived in Irma for a number of years.

At tenion all hockey fans. The Irma hockey team will be called on some afternoon of next week, Feb. 19 to 24, we are not sure of the day yet, to defend their title to the Junior Chamber of Commerce Cup which they won from For Saskatchewan last year in the Arena at Edmonton. A committee is selecting a team to come to Irma to compete for the cup and as soon as the team is chosen and the date set the game will be properly advertised. The business men of Irma are arranging to close their places of business for a period of two hours while the game is on. They hope that their out-of-town friends will avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing a real game and trust that everyone will have ample time to transact whatever business they have to. It is certain that the hockey team will fully appreciate the support of all Irma and district residents. Plenty of rosters helps a team wonderfully. We'll be seeing you.

Again we remind our readers that we do not publish anonymous letters. If "Sport Fan" will send us his or her name (not necessarily for publication) we will publish the communication received last week.

Mr. E. L. Feero received word on Friday evening that his truck had been hit by a rain near Wildwood and wrecked. Apparently the driver escaped injury. Mr. Feero left the following morning for the scene of the accident.

The first in a series of four whist drives sponsored by the Irma L.O.B.A. held last week was well attended. The prizes were won by the following: ladies' first, Mrs. Bolduc, and second by Mrs. Martin Enger. Gent's first was a draw between Mr. Overt Lovig and his brother Mr. A. Lovig. Mr. A. Lovig got it. While the gent's second was taken by Mr. C. Alfino, sumptuous lunch was served at the close. The second evening of this kind will be held in the Lodge hall on Thursday evening, February 22. Everybody is welcome.

HOCKEY NOTES

R. MAGUIRE LEADS GAS LINE HOCKEY SCORERS

R. Maguire of Irma is the top scorer in the Gas Line Hockey League with a total of 19 points. Irma leads the league with 16 points, eight more than Viking. The Irma club has yet to be defeated.

Scoring Statistics
Maguire, Irma 19
Holley, Ryley 12
Vergette, Ryley 12
Maguire, F. Irma 12
Hughes, Irma 10
Smith, Irma 10
Tory, G. Wainwright 9
Vorton, Felside 9
McKeehorn, Viking 8
Runyon, Viking 8

On Friday afternoon, February 9, the Irma Pee Wee hockey team with manager Simmerman in charge motored out to the Alma Mater rink and played a good fast game with the Pee Wees of that district. There was a good attendance of spectators to cheer the wee fellows on to do their best. Messrs. J. Fletcher and J. Hedley very kindly consented to take care of the transportation problem. This was the first game between these two teams and was won by Alma Mater 5-4. W. Guy scored two, J. Dunbar two and S. Patterson one for Alma Mater; and J. Gullmer, W. Pyle, L. Archibald and R. Wilbraham one each for Irma.

Alma Mater players—W. Guy, J. Dunbar, S. Patterson, K. Guy, H. Dunbar, C. Glover, C. Figneshaw, E. Figneshaw, G. Herder and O. Meyer. Irma—E. Carter, L. Archibald, W. Marden, L. Raham, A. Pierce, R. Wilbraham, J. McKay, J. Gullmer, G. Miles, W. Pyle, C. Soneff, J. Fletcher and D. Simmerman. Referee—Chas. Glover.

A new regulation for the Irma rink went into effect last Monday, Feb.

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—Child's pony, half Shetland, 8 years old, very quiet. Also Chevrolet coach. Apply James Jackson, R.R. 3, Irma. 9-9

FOR SALE—100 bushels of potatoes at \$1.25 bushel. M. C. Ambler, phone 708, Irma. 9-8

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18, which is that the rink will be open at 7:30 p.m. for skating and all children up to and including grade six must leave the rink at 8:30 p.m.

Friday evening, February 9, the Irma and Wainwright teams played their last scheduled league game at Wainwright. Irma won by a score of 6-3.

On Tuesday evening of last week a hockey team comprised mostly of junior players went to Hardisty for a game with the seniors of that town. F. Maguire and A. Glasgow were the only forwards from the regular senior team. Although Irma was beaten 7-5 the large crop of Hardisty spectators reported it was one of the best games played there this season.

TENDERS WANTED

Tenders will be received by the Irma School Board on or before the 24th day of February for 5 cords of regular wood. For further particulars see the secretary. Lowest or any other tender not necessarily accepted.

E. W. Carter, Secretary-Treasurer

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